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SUMMARY: FONOFF PRESS BRIEFINGS INDICATE THAT GROMYKO
VISIT SO FAR HAS PRODUCED NO MOVEMENT ON MAJOR DIPLOMATIC
ISSUES BETWEEN JAPAN AND USSR. GROMYKO HAS BEEN
CONCILIATORY ON FISHERIES PROBLEM AND AGREEABLE TO
PROMOTING EXCHANGES ON ENERGY FROM NUCLEAR FUSION.
COMMUNIQUE NEGOTIATIONS PROVING STICKY. END SUMMARY.

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1. MAJOR SUBSTANTIVE EXCHANGES SO FAR OCCURRED IN
TWO SESSIONS JAN 10 LASTING TOTAL OF SIX HOURS.

MORNING DEVOTED TO TERRITORIAL ISSUE AND SINO-SOVIET-JAPANESE RELATIONS. FONMIN MIYAZAWA REPORTEDLY REITERATED JAPANESE POSITION THAT RETURN OF ALL FOUR NORTHERN ISLANDS A PREREQUISITE FOR CONCLUSION OF PEACE TREATY WITH USSR. GROMYKO, FOR HIS PART, RENEWED SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR "TREATY OF GOOD NEIGHBORLINESS AND FRIENDSHIP" AS AN INTERMEDIATE STEP TOWARD CONCLUSION OF PEACE TREATY. MAKING SOLE NEW POINT OF SUBSTANCE ANNOUNCED SO FAR ON THIS ISSUE, GROMYKO ADDED THAT SOVIET UNION HAS NO INTENTION TO FORCE PROPOSED PACT ON JAPAN.

2. TURNING TO RELATIONS WITH CHINA, MIYAZAWA EXPLAINED JAPAN'S BASIC POSITION ON PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP TREATY WITH CHINA, STRESSING THAT ANTI-HEGEMONY CLAUSE UNDER NEGOTIATION NOT AIMED AT USSR. GROMYKO REPORTED TO HAVE RESPONDED WITH WARNING TO GOJ CONCERNING NEGOTIATIONS WITH CHINESE. (COMMENT: LANGUAGE OF FONOFF BRIEFINGS VAGUE ON THIS AND OTHER POINTS. WE WILL CLARIFY WHEN OUR CONTACTS BECOME AVAILABLE. END COMMENT)

3. IN AFTERNOON SESSION, TALK TURNED TO FISHERIES PROBLEM, WITH FONMIN MIYAZAWA POINTING OUT THAT SOVIET DAMAGE TO JAPANESE FISHING GEAR HAD CONTINUED DESPITE CONCLUSION LAST OCTOBER OF FISHERIES AGREEMENT. HE TOLD GROMYKO THAT JAPAN CONSIDERING EXTENSION OF TERRITORIAL SEA LIMIT TO TWELVE MILES AND CALLED FOR SOVIETS TO RESTRICT FISHING OPERATIONS NEAR JAPAN. IN REPLY, GROMYKO NOTED THAT SOVIET FISHERMEN HAD BEEN OPERATING ON HIGH SEAS IN CASES INVOLVED. HE RECOGNIZED, HOWEVER, THAT PROBLEMS EXISTED IN CONNECTION WITH OPERATIONS OF SOVIET FISHERMEN NEAR JAPAN. GROMYKO INFORMED MIYAZAWA THAT USSR HAD DECIDED TO RELEASE ALL 32 JAPANESE FISHERMEN NOW DETAINED IN SOVIET UNION.

4. THE TWO FONMINS ALSO REPORTEDLY EXCHANGED IDEAS ON INTERNATIONAL SITUATION. ONLY NOTEWORTHY REMARK TO BE REPORTED SO FAR WAS GROMYKO COMMENT THAT CHINESE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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POLICY TOWARDS SOVIET UNION WOULD NOT CHANGE AS RESULT OF CHOU EN-LAI'S DEATH.

5. TAKING LEAF FROM SECRETARY KISSINGER'S BOOK, GROMYKO HOLDING TALKS WITH SOME OF MAJOR LDP FACTIONAL LEADERS. FIRST OF THESE WAS ONE AND HALF HOUR SESSION ON JAN 11 WITH LDP SEC GEN NAKASONE. IN COURSE OF BROAD DISCUSSION OF TERRITORIAL AND OTHER ISSUES, GROMYKO AND NAKASONE REPORTEDLY AGREED TO HELP PROMOTE PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE CONTACTS AND EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION BETWEEN

AND USSR ON WAYS OF HARNESSING POWER OF NUCLEAR FUSION.
SPECIFICALLY, NAKASONE IS REPORTED TO HAVE ADVOCATED
JOINT STUDY BASED ON TOKOMAK NUCLEAR FUSION PROCESS
DEVELOPED EXPERIMENTALLY BY RUSSIANS.

6. OVER WEEKEND, WORKING LEVELS OF BOTH SIDES
CONTINUED NEGOTIATIONS ON DRAFT OF JOINT STATEMENT,
WHICH ALL REPORTS INDICATE PROVING DIFFICULT TO
PRODUCE. POINTS OF DIFFERENCE INCLUDE TERRITORIAL
ISSUE, WHICH JAPANESE WISH TO HAVE EXPLICITLY DESCRIBED
AS "YET UNRESOLVED," AND SOVIET PROPOSAL THAT STATE-
MENT MENTION ASIAN COLLECTIVE SECURITY SYSTEM.
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